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April 29, 2011

RE: Snohomish County Addendum No. 2 to the VISION 2040 FEIS relating to repealing the Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) for Snohomish County and adopting new CPPs

Dear Interested Citizen,

This letter is to notify you that the Snohomish County Department of Planning and Development Services (PDS) has issued Addendum No. 2 to the Puget Sound Regional Council's Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for VISION 2040. The purpose of Addendum No. 2 is to provide environmental information relating to the non-project action to consider revising the Housing Chapter of the Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) for Snohomish County.

The information in this Addendum adds to the analysis of previously identified significant impacts of the alternatives in the VISION 2040 FEIS issued in March 2008. PDS has determined that this information does not significantly change the analysis of impacts and alternatives contained in the VISION 2040 FEIS, nor does it identify new or significantly different impacts. Addendum No. 2 is being issued pursuant to WAC 197-11-625 to meet Snohomish County's State Environmental Policy Act responsibility. No comment period is required for this Addendum.

Addendum No. 2 is available online at [www.snoco.org](http://www.snoco.org). In the search box, type in "*Plans and Reports*" and go to the Environmental Documents link. Additional copies of Addendum No. 2 are available for review or sale at the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor PDS office in the Snohomish County Administration West Building, 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, Everett, WA 98201 or contact PDS at (425) 388-3311, Ext. 2206 to order copies. There is a charge for reproduction costs.

Your interest in Snohomish County is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding the content of Addendum No. 2, please call Troy Holbrook, Senior Planner, (425) 388-3311, extension 6257.

Sincerely,

Clay White, Director  
Planning & Development Services

**SNOHOMISH COUNTY ADDENDUM NO. 2  
TO THE VISION 2040  
FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT  
AND NOTICE OF ADOPTION**

**Relating to the Growth Management Act,  
Amending the Housing Chapter of the  
Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) of Snohomish County**

**Prepared Consistent with**

The Washington State Environmental Policy Act of 1971  
Chapter 43.21C Revised Code of Washington  
Chapter 197-11, Washington Administrative Code  
Snohomish County Code Title 30



**Snohomish County  
Department of Planning and Development Services**

**Date of Issuance: April 29, 2011**

## FACT SHEET

<b>Project Title:</b>	Countywide Planning Policy Update for Snohomish County
<b>Proposed Non-Project Action:</b>	The proposed non-project action by the Snohomish County Council is to adopt an ordinance that updates and revises the policies in the Housing Chapter of the Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) for Snohomish County.
<b>Notice of Adoption</b>	<p>Snohomish County PDS adopts an existing environmental document, the Final EIS (FEIS) for VISION 2040, which was issued March 2008, by the Puget Sound Regional Council. PDS has identified and adopted this FEIS as being appropriate to this proposed non-project action. The FEIS meets Snohomish County's environmental review needs for the current proposal and will be transmitted to the county council with Snohomish County Addendum No. 2 to the VISION 2040 FEIS.</p>
<b>Purpose of the Addendum:</b>	<p>Snohomish County Addendum No. 2 to the VISION 2040 FEIS adds information relating to the non-project programmatic county action described above. This information does not result in any new significant adverse environmental impact and does not change the analysis of previously identified significant adverse impacts in the FEIS for VISION 2040.</p> <p>No additional significant impacts beyond those identified in the VISION 2040 FEIS are expected to occur. Revisions to the proposed non-project action may be considered during the public hearing process. To the extent that the existing environmental document (VISION 2040 FEIS) listed in this addendum has analyzed such revisions, no additional programmatic non-project level environmental review will be required.</p>
<b>Description of Proposal:</b>	<p>This ordinance would amend the housing chapter of the countywide planning policies (CPPs) by revising policies governing the parameters for the distribution of affordable housing among the county and cities; increase the emphasis on access between and geographic balance of jobs and housing; to clarify responsibilities; remove redundant or outdated policies; and add description to the introductory text. The proposed CPPs consist of new policies and modified versions of current CPPs that are consistent with Vision 2040 and the GMA. The county council may consider additional amendments to the proposed ordinance. The proposed CPPs are reasonably related to and necessary for the advancement of the GMA goals found in RCW 36.70A.020. The proposed CPPs comply with the GMA requirements in RCW 36.70A.210 and RCW 36.70A.215.</p> <p>This addendum is being issued in accordance with WAC 197-11-625 and WAC 197-11-630. The adopted environmental document listed herein, together with this addendum, meet Snohomish County's environmental review needs for this non-project action.</p>

**Location of Proposal:** Snohomish County, its cities and towns, and the Tulalip Tribes

**Action Sponsor/  
Lead Agency:** Snohomish County Department of Planning & Development Services  
3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S 604  
Everett, Washington 98201-4046


**Required Approval/  
Review:** Snohomish County adoption of an ordinance updating the housing chapter of the CPPs.  
Washington State Department of Commerce – coordination of state comments.  
Puget Sound Regional Council – review and certification of countywide planning policies.

**Circulation and  
Comment:** This Addendum is being circulated according to WAC 197-11-625.  
Addendums do not require a comment period.

**Contact Person:** Troy Holbrook, Senior Planner  
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**Date of Issuance:** April 28, 2011

**Responsible Official/  
Position Title.  
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Signature   
Clay White, Director

**Tentative date of  
Adoption:** Spring 2011, County Council adoption of the Countywide Planning Policies Update.

**Public Hearings:** County Council public hearings on the proposal will be held beginning on May 25, 2011.

**Documents:**

Copies of the following documents are available for review at the offices of Snohomish County Planning and Development Services (see address above):

One proposed ordinance comprising amendments to the Housing Chapter of the Countywide Planning Policies.

*VISION 2040 Final Environmental Impact Statement*, March 2008

## **PROPOSED ACTIONS AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

### **Overview:**

The adoption of the Countywide Planning Policies Update is a non-project action under the Washington State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). This Addendum is not intended to satisfy individual project action SEPA requirements (the review needed for a future site-specific land use or building permit application). This Addendum does not significantly change the analysis of impacts and alternatives contained in the VISION 2040 FEIS, nor does it identify new or significantly different impacts.

### **Prior Environmental Review**

The elements of the environment addressed in the VISION 2040 FEIS include elements of both the natural and built environment: earth, air, water, plants and animals, energy and natural resources, environmental health, population and employment, land and shoreline use, transportation, public services, and utilities.

### **EIS Addendum Environmental Review**

According to the SEPA Rules in WAC 197-11, an Addendum to an EIS provides additional analysis and/or information about a proposal or alternatives where their significant environmental impacts have been disclosed and identified in a previous environmental document (WAC 197-11-600(3)(b)(ii)). An Addendum is appropriate when the impacts of the new proposal are the same general types as those identified in prior documents and when the new analysis does not substantially change the analysis of significant impacts and alternatives identified in the prior environmental documents (WAC 197-11-600(4)(e), WAC 197-11-706).

This Addendum is being issued pursuant to WAC 197-11-625 to meet the County's SEPA responsibility. The VISION 2040 FEIS evaluated alternatives and impacts that encompassed similar general policy direction, land use patterns, and environmental impacts that are expected to be associated with the proposal identified in this Addendum.

The proposal does not substantially change the analysis of significant impacts described in the existing environmental documents. No additional significant impacts beyond those identified in the VISION 2040 FEIS are expected to occur.

## **APPENDIX A**

### **Distribution List**

#### **Federal Agencies**

U.S. Natural Resource Conservation  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
National Marine Fisheries  
U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

#### **State Agencies**

The Office of the Governor  
Department of Ecology  
Department of Natural Resources  
Department of Commerce  
Department of Agriculture  
Department of Social and Health Services  
Utilities & Transportation Commission  
Department of Corrections

Department of Fish & Wildlife  
Department of Health  
Department of Transportation  
WA State Energy Office  
Office of Archaeology and Historical Preservation  
Parks and Recreation Commission  
Department of Transportation, Northwest Region  
Interagency Committee on Outdoor Recreation

#### **Regional Agencies and Interest Groups**

Puget Sound Partnership  
Puget Sound Clean Air Agency

Puget Sound Regional Council  
Regional Transit Authority

#### **Snohomish County Agencies and Interest Groups**

Snohomish County Department of Public Works  
Snohomish County Sheriff  
Snohomish County Surface Water Management Division  
1000 Friends of Snohomish County  
Action Council for Esperance  
Agriculture Tomorrow  
Arlington Heights Comm.  
Canyon Firs Homeowners Assn.  
Community Transit  
Crestline Estates Action  
Economic Development Council of Snohomish County  
Edmonds Chamber of Commerce  
Everett Chamber of Commerce  
Everett Transit  
Friends of Florence Acres  
Futurewise  
Housing Authority of Snohomish County  
Jordan Road Citizens  
Kayak Pt. Citizens Group  
League of Women Voters  
Little Bear Cr. Protective Assn.  
Martha Lake Community Club  
Martha Lake Homeowners  
Master Builders Assoc. of King and Snohomish Co.

Snohomish County Parks and Recreation Department  
Snohomish County Solid Waste Division  
Snohomish Health District  
McKee's Evergreen Beach  
Newberg Organization  
North Creek Rural Areas  
North Marysville Citizens  
Picnic Point Community  
Pilchuck Audubon Society  
Possession Bay Association  
Professional Consultants  
Silver Lake Action Comm.  
Smartgrowth Campaign  
Snohomish Arlington Trail Coalition  
Snohomish County Conservation District  
Snohomish County/Camano Island Board of Realtors  
Snohomish Wetlands Alliance  
So. Snohomish. Co. Chamber of Commerce  
Sound Transit  
Stillaguamish Citizens Alliance  
Swamp Creek Locust Way  
Tom Ehrlichman  
Wandering Creek Homes

#### **Neighboring Planning Departments**

Island County Planning Dept.  
Skagit County Planning Dept.

King Co. Dev. & Environ. Services Dept.  
Chelan County Planning Dept.

### **Tribes**

Muckleshoot Tribes  
Sauk/Suiattle Tribe

Tulalip Tribes  
Stillaguamish Tribe

### **Utilities**

Alderwood Water District  
Lake Stevens Sewer District  
Olympic View Water and Sewer District  
Silver Lake Water and Sewer  
Snohomish County PUD No. 1  
Highland Water Assn.  
Seven Lakes Water Assn.  
Sky Meadow Water Assn., Inc.  
Puget Sound Energy

Cross Valley Water District  
METRO  
Mukilteo Water District  
Diking District #2  
Cascade Natural Gas  
Roosevelt Water Assn.  
Three Lakes Water Assn.  
King Co. Wastewater Treatment Division

### **Cities**

City of Arlington  
City of Brier  
City of Edmonds  
City of Gold Bar  
Town of Index  
City of Lynnwood  
City of Mill Creek  
City of Mountlake Terrace  
City of Snohomish  
City of Sultan  
Tulalip Tribes

City of Bothell  
Town of Darrington  
City of Everett  
City of Granite Falls  
City of Lake Stevens  
City of Marysville  
City of Monroe  
City of Mukilteo  
City of Stanwood  
Town of Woodway

### **School Districts**

Arlington School District  
Edmonds School District #15  
Granite Falls School District  
Lake Stevens School District  
Marysville School District  
Mukilteo School District  
Snohomish School District  
Sultan School District

Darrington School District  
Everett School District  
Index School District  
Lakewood School District  
Monroe School District  
Northshore School District  
Stanwood School District

### **Fire Districts & Ports**

Fire District 1 South County  
Fire District 4 Snohomish  
Fire District 7 Clearview  
Fire District 10 Bothell  
Fire District 12 Marysville  
Fire District 15 Tulalip  
Fire District 17 Granite Falls  
Fire District 19 Silvana  
Fire District 21 Arlington  
Fire District 23 Robe  
Fire District 25 Oso  
Fire District 27 Hat Island  
Paine Field Fire District

Fire District 3 Monroe  
Fire District 5 Sultan  
Fire District 8 Lake Stevens  
Fire District 11 Silver Lakes  
No. County Regional Fire Authority  
Fire District 16 Lake Roesiger  
Fire District 28 Index  
Fire District 22 Getchell  
Fire District 24 Darrington  
Fire District 26 Gold Bar  
Port of Everett  
Port of Edmonds

### **Newspapers**

The Herald  
Arlington Times

Lake Stevens Journal  
Seattle Times-North Bureau



Snohomish County Tribune  
Mukilteo Beacon  
Monroe Monitor  
Marysville Globe  
Bothell-Kenmore Reporter

**Libraries**

Arlington Library  
Brier Public Library  
Edmonds Public Library  
Granite Falls Library  
Lynnwood Public Library  
Mill Creek Library  
Mountlake Terrace Library  
Sno-Isle Regional Library  
Stanwood Library

Mill Creek Enterprise  
Woodinville Weekly  
Enterprise Newspaper  
The Edmonds Beacon

Bothell Library  
Darrington Library  
Everett Public Library  
Lake Stevens Library  
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